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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIROCHIKA SATO) Examiner: N.Y.A.
Application No.: 10/784,990) Group Art Unit: 2622
Filed: February 25, 2004)
For: IMAGE INPUT APPARATUS,)
IMAGE OUTPUT APPARATUS,)
IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM,)
CONTROL METHOD OF IMAGE)
INPUT APPARATUS, CONTROL)
METHOD OF IMAGE OUTPUT)
APPARATUS, PROGRAMS FOR)
EXECUTING THESE METHODS,)
STORAGE MEDIUM FOR)
STORING PROGRAMS, IMAGE)
PROCESSING SYSTEM,)
CONTROL METHOD OF IMAGE)
PROCESSING SYSTEM, AND)
PROGRAM FOR EXECUTING)
CONTROL METHOD) August 18, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is provided in the English abstracts attached to those documents.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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